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SUBJECT: REPROCESSING OF JAPANESE NUCLEAR FUEL OF U.S.-ORIGIN

1. AGENCY SAFEGUARDS AND LEGAL STAFF MEMBERS RECENTLY INFORMED MISOFFS OF SECRETARIAT'S DISCUSSIONS WITH JAPANESE (AT LATTER'S INITIATIVE) RE SAFEGUARDS ARRANGEMENTS ON CONNECTION WITH EXPECTED REPROCESSING IN FRANCE OF SPENT FUEL (CONTAINING BOTH SPECIAL NUCLEAR MATERIAL OF U.S.-ORIGIN AND SNM PRODUCED FROM SUCH SNM) FROM JAPANESE NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS. JAPANESE WERE ANXIOUS TO KNOW WHETHER AGENCY COULD ARRANGE TO SAFEGUARD THIS MATERIAL.

2. AGENCY BELIEVES IT COULD, IF U.S. AGREED, SAFEGUARD SNM IN FRANCE UNDER FRANCE/IAEA/JAPAN TRILATERAL SAFEGUARDS AGREEMENT (INFCIRC/171), AS REPROCESSING SERVICES CAN BE SUPPLIED BY FRANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE I.1(D) OF FRENCH/JAPANESE BILATERAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT. SINCE SNM IS OF U.S. ORIGIN OR PRO-

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DUCED FROM SUCH SNM AND PRESENTLY SUBJECT TO SAFEGUARDS UNDER U.S./IAEA/JAPAN TRILATERAL SAFEGUARDS AGREEMENT (INFCIRC/119), U.S. APPROVAL WOULD BE REQUIRED FOR THIS ARRANGEMENT. FURTHER, AGENCY WOULD HAVE TO DEVELOP SUBSIDIARY ARRANGEMENTS WITH FRENCH UNDER INFCIRC/171 SPECIFYING HOW SAFEGUARDS WOULD BE APPLIED IN FRANCE TO THIS MATERIAL.

3. AGENCY STAFF CONCERNED BELIEVE THAT (AND WE AGREED) MATTER SHOULD BE DISCUSSED BY JAPANESE BILATERALLY WITH U.S. AND THEY WERE SO INFORMING JAPANESE.

4. MISSION IS AWARE OF COMPLEX AND DIFFICULT POLICY ISSUES THAT WILL BE RAISED BY THIS PROPOSAL, AND WE RECOGNIZE THAT IMPLICATIONS WILL HAVE TO BE THOROUGHLY EXAMINED. THERE ARE ALSO NUMBER OF QUESTIONS THAT ARISE FOR WHICH NEITHER WE NOR AGENCY HAVE ANSWERS AND WHICH CAN ONLY BE OBTAINED FROM JAPANESE, E.G., WHAT IS ARRANGEMENT WITH FRENCH RE DISPOSITION OF SEPARATED PU? ACCORDINGLY, WE RECOMMEND THAT, WHEN GOJ RAISES MATTER, AN ATTEMPT BE MADE AT THAT TIME TO OBTAIN ALL PERTINENT DETAILS OF THE FRENCH-JAPANESE ARRANGEMENTS, WITH A VIEW TO LATER PRESENTATION OF USG VIEWS. STONE

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